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In re U.S. Patent No. 6,762,215	)	Serial No. 10/081,533
	)	
Inventor(s): Akira UDAGAWA <i>et al</i>	)	Filed: February 25, 2002
	)	
Issue Date: July 13, 2004	)	Attorney Docket No. 001458.00012

For: RADIATION-MODIFIED POLY (TETRAFLUOROETHYLENE) RESIN FEEDS AND A  
PROCESS FOR PRODUCING THE SAME

**PETITION UNDER 37 CFR 1.183 FOR CERTIFICATE OF CORRECTION**

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Sir:

Applicants hereby petition to correct the record to include a reference on the front cover of the above identified patent to correct the Assignee name from "Japan Atomic Energy Research" to --Japan Atomic Energy Research Institute--.

The original Assignment was recorded on February 25, 2002, to Japan Atomic Energy Research Institute, at Reel 012644, Frame 0692. A copy of the Notice of Recordation of Assignment Document is enclosed.

Two (2) copies of PTO Form 1050 are appended. The complete Certificate of Correction involves one page. The Patent and Trademark Office is authorized to charge our Deposit Account No. 19-0733 for \$130 for this petition as set forth in 37 CFR 1.117 (h), and for any additional fees required.

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On the Cover Page, Assignee section (73):

Please replace "Japan Atomic Energy Research" with --Japan Atomic Energy Research Institute--

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The mistakes identified in the appended Form occurred through no fault of the Applicants, as clearly disclosed by the records of the application, which matured into this patent. Enclosed for your convenience are the relevant portions of the Examiner's Amendment, included with the Notice of Allowance dated March 2, 2004, and the Preliminary Amendment filed February 25, 2002.

Issuance of the Certificate of Correction containing the corrections is respectfully requested. Since these changes are necessitated through no fault of the Applicants, no fee is believed to be associated with this request. Nonetheless, should the Patent and Trademark Office determine that a fee is required, please charge our Deposit Account No. 19-0733.

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In Column 6, Claim 1, Line 39:

Please replace "temperature 30" with --temperature between 30--

In Column 6, Claim 4, Line 50:

Please replace "claim" with --claim 3--

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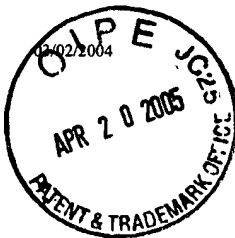
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APPLICATION NO.	FILING DATE	FIRST NAMED INVENTOR	ATTORNEY DOCKET NO.	CONFIRMATION NO.
10/081,533	02/25/2002	Akira Udagawa	001458.00012	1051

TITLE OF INVENTION: RADIATION-MODIFIED POLY (TETRAFLUOROETHYLENE) RESIN FEEDS AND A PROCESS FOR PRODUCING THE SAME

APPLN. TYPE	SMALL ENTITY	ISSUE FEE	PUBLICATION FEE	TOTAL FEE(S) DUE	DATE DUE
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See 37 CFR 1.27.

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**Notice of Allowability**

Application No.

10/081,533

Examiner

Susan W Berman

Applicant(s)

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Art Unit

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-- The MAILING DATE of this communication appears on the cover sheet with the correspondence address--

All claims being allowable, PROSECUTION ON THE MERITS IS (OR REMAINS) CLOSED in this application. If not included herewith (or previously mailed), a Notice of Allowance (PTOL-85) or other appropriate communication will be mailed in due course. **THIS NOTICE OF ALLOWABILITY IS NOT A GRANT OF PATENT RIGHTS.** This application is subject to withdrawal from issue at the initiative of the Office or upon petition by the applicant. See 37 CFR 1.313 and MPEP 1308.

1. ☒ This communication is responsive to Election filed 12-05-03.
2. ☒ The allowed claim(s) is/are 4,5 and 9-22.
3. ☒ The drawings filed on 25 February 2002 are accepted by the Examiner.
4. ☒ Acknowledgment is made of a claim for foreign priority under 35 U.S.C. § 119(a)-(d) or (f).
  - a) ☒ All    b) ☐ Some\*    c) ☐ None    of the:
  1. ☒ Certified copies of the priority documents have been received.
  2. ☐ Certified copies of the priority documents have been received in Application No. \_\_\_\_\_.
  3. ☐ Copies of the certified copies of the priority documents have been received in this national stage application from the International Bureau (PCT Rule 17.2(a)).

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Applicant has THREE MONTHS FROM THE "MAILING DATE" of this communication to file a reply complying with the requirements noted below. Failure to timely comply will result in ABANDONMENT of this application.

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5. ☐ A SUBSTITUTE OATH OR DECLARATION must be submitted. Note the attached EXAMINER'S AMENDMENT or NOTICE OF INFORMAL PATENT APPLICATION (PTO-152) which gives reason(s) why the oath or declaration is deficient.
  6. ☐ CORRECTED DRAWINGS (as "replacement sheets") must be submitted.
    - (a) ☐ including changes required by the Notice of Draftsperson's Patent Drawing Review (PTO-948) attached
      - 1) ☐ hereto or 2) ☐ to Paper No./Mail Date \_\_\_\_\_.
    - (b) ☐ including changes required by the attached Examiner's Amendment / Comment or in the Office action of Paper No./Mail Date \_\_\_\_\_.
- Identifying indicia such as the application number (see 37 CFR 1.84(c)) should be written on the drawings in the front (not the back) of each sheet. Replacement sheet(s) should be labeled as such in the header according to 37 CFR 1.121(d).
7. ☐ DEPOSIT OF and/or INFORMATION about the deposit of BIOLOGICAL MATERIAL must be submitted. Note the attached Examiner's comment regarding REQUIREMENT FOR THE DEPOSIT OF BIOLOGICAL MATERIAL.

**Attachment(s)**

1. ☒ Notice of References Cited (PTO-892)
2. ☐ Notice of Draftsperson's Patent Drawing Review (PTO-948)
3. ☐ Information Disclosure Statements (PTO-1449 or PTO/SB/08), Paper No./Mail Date \_\_\_\_\_
4. ☐ Examiner's Comment Regarding Requirement for Deposit of Biological Material
5. ☐ Notice of Informal Patent Application (PTO-152)
6. ☐ Interview Summary (PTO-413), Paper No./Mail Date \_\_\_\_\_
7. ☐ Examiner's Amendment/Comment
8. ☐ Examiner's Statement of Reasons for Allowance
9. ☐ Other \_\_\_\_\_

Susan W Berman  
Primary Examiner  
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***Election/Restrictions***

Applicant's election without traverse of Group II in Paper No. submitted 12-05-2003 is acknowledged.

**EXAMINER'S AMENDMENT**

An examiner's amendment to the record appears below. Should the changes and/or additions be unacceptable to applicant, an amendment may be filed as provided by 37 CFR 1.312. To ensure consideration of such an amendment, it MUST be submitted no later than the payment of the issue fee.

Authorization for this examiner's amendment was given in a telephone interview with William Fisher on February 23, 2004.

The application has been amended as follows:

Cancel claims 1-3.

In claim 4, line 5,, delete "room" and insert therefor -- a -- and after "temperature" insert between - 30 and 50 °C --.

**REASONS FOR ALLOWANCE**

The following is an examiner's statement of reasons for allowance: The instantly claimed method for producing a radiation-modified poly(tetrafluoroethylene), "PTFE", resin feed from unsintered poly(tetrafluoroethylene) is distinguished from the prior art known to the examiner by treatment with ionizing radiation in an absorbed dose of no more than 1,000Gy in air and within the recited temperature range. The cited prior art also fails to mention lowering the melting point without changing the quantities of heat of fusion and heat of crystallization, as set forth in the instant claims.

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RETURN WHEN SERIAL NUMBER IS ASSIGNED TO APPLICATION

USPTO: Please return this card, indicating receipt date and Application Serial No. of the following patent application:

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Title: RADIATION-MODIFIED POLY(TETRAFLUOROETHYLENE)  
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Filing Date: February 25, 2002

Client: Yuasa and Hara

Attorney/Secretary: WJF/gpd

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Title RADIATION-MODIFIED POLY(TETRAFLUOROETHYLENE) RESIN FEEDS AND A  
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The following has been received in the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office on the date stamped hereon:

☒ 16 total pp Spec., including: # of Claims 19

(# of independent claims 2); ☒ Abstract

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# of distinct sheets 1 : Figs. 2

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☐ IDS w/PTO 1449 ☐ References ☐ w/Fee

☒ Preliminary Amendment

☒ Priority Claim (Foreign or U.S. Provisional B&W #

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☐ Application: ☐ CIP ☐ Continuation ☐ Divisional  
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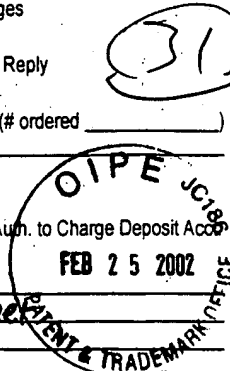
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) PROCESS FOR PRODUCING THE SAMEPRELIMINARY AMENDMENTAssistant Commissioner for Patents  
Washington, D.C. 20231

Dear Sir:

Please amend the above-identified new application as follows.

IN THE SPECIFICATION

Page 1, following the title, please add the following new paragraph;

--This application is based upon and claims the benefit of priority from Japanese Patent Application No. 2001-053495, filed February 28, 2001, the entire contents of this application are incorporated herein by reference--.

IN THE CLAIMS

Please delete Claims 6-8 and insert the following Claims therein:

- 9. The process according to claim 4, wherein the ionizing radiation is selected from electron beams, x-rays,  $\gamma$ -rays, neutron beams and high-energy ions which are used either independently or in admixture.
10. The process according to claim 5, wherein the ionizing radiation is selected from electron beams, x-rays,  $\gamma$ -rays, neutron beams and high-energy ions which are used either independently or in admixture.
11. The process according to claim 4, wherein the poly (tetrafluoroethylene) resin feed is in powder form.
12. The process according to claim 5, wherein the poly (tetrafluoroethylene) resin feed is in powder

form.

13. The process according to claim 9, wherein the poly (tetrafluoroethylene) resin feed is in powder form.

14. The process according to claim 10, wherein the poly (tetrafluoroethylene) resin feed is in powder form.

15. The process according to claim 4, wherein the poly (tetrafluoroethylene) resin feed is a dried powder of poly (tetrafluoroethylene) resin obtained by emulsion polymerization or suspension polymerization, which is optionally granulated or dispersed uniformly in solvents or wetted with solvents.

16. The process according to claim 5, wherein the poly (tetrafluoroethylene) resin feed is a dried powder of poly (tetrafluoroethylene) resin obtained by emulsion polymerization or suspension polymerization, which is optionally granulated or dispersed uniformly in solvents or wetted with solvents.

17. The process according to claim 9, wherein the poly (tetrafluoroethylene) resin feed is a dried powder of poly (tetrafluoroethylene) resin obtained by emulsion polymerization or suspension polymerization, which is optionally granulated or dispersed uniformly in solvents or wetted with solvents.

18. The process according to claim 10, wherein the poly (tetrafluoroethylene) resin feed is a dried powder of poly (tetrafluoroethylene) resin obtained by emulsion polymerization or suspension polymerization, which is optionally granulated or dispersed uniformly in solvents or wetted with solvents.

19. The process according to claim 11, wherein the poly (tetrafluoroethylene) resin feed is a dried powder of poly (tetrafluoroethylene) resin obtained by emulsion polymerization or suspension polymerization, which is optionally granulated or dispersed uniformly in solvents or wetted with solvents.

20. The process according to claim 12, wherein the poly (tetrafluoroethylene) resin feed is a dried powder of poly (tetrafluoroethylene) resin obtained by emulsion polymerization or suspension polymerization, which is optionally granulated or dispersed uniformly in solvents or wetted with